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Dear Sirs:

In going through the Life and Works of Paine by Van der Weyde, I found an interesting letter from Benjamin Franklin to Paine on page 25 of Volume I. A footnote on that page indicates that this letter is in your archives. It relates to Franklin's launching of Paine in America, and shows his affection for him.

The bust and tablet of Paine will be unveiled at the Hall of Fame on the 18th of May, and for our program of the event, we would like very much to reproduce this letter, in whole or in part. Would it be possible for you to let us have reproduction glossies (positive and negative). Inasmuch as we are planning to go to press before long, we shall appreciate it if you will send these to us as soon as possible, together with your bill.

Awaiting your kind response, believe me,

Sincerely yours,

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